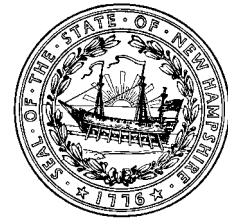


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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – March 29, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Monday, March 29, 2021, DHHS announced 272 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 9.7%. Please note, there have been an additional 47 cases added to the case count, in addition to the new cases above. These cases were identified during data quality assurance activities and are from November 2020 through March 2021. Today's results include 161 people who tested positive by PCR test and 111 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 2,785 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- **3/28: 272** new cases

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are thirty-three individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 49% being female and 51% being male. The new cases reside in Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (70), Rockingham (57), Strafford (24), Merrimack (17), Belknap (11), Cheshire (9), Grafton (7), Carroll (5), Sullivan (2), and Coos (1) counties, and in the cities of Nashua (25) and Manchester (17). The county of residence is being determined for twenty-seven new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

There are currently 73 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 83,340 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated March 29, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	83,340
Recovered	79,318 (95%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,237 (1%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	2,785
Current Hospitalizations	73
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	658,004
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	38,666
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	70,334

¹Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

²Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

³Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

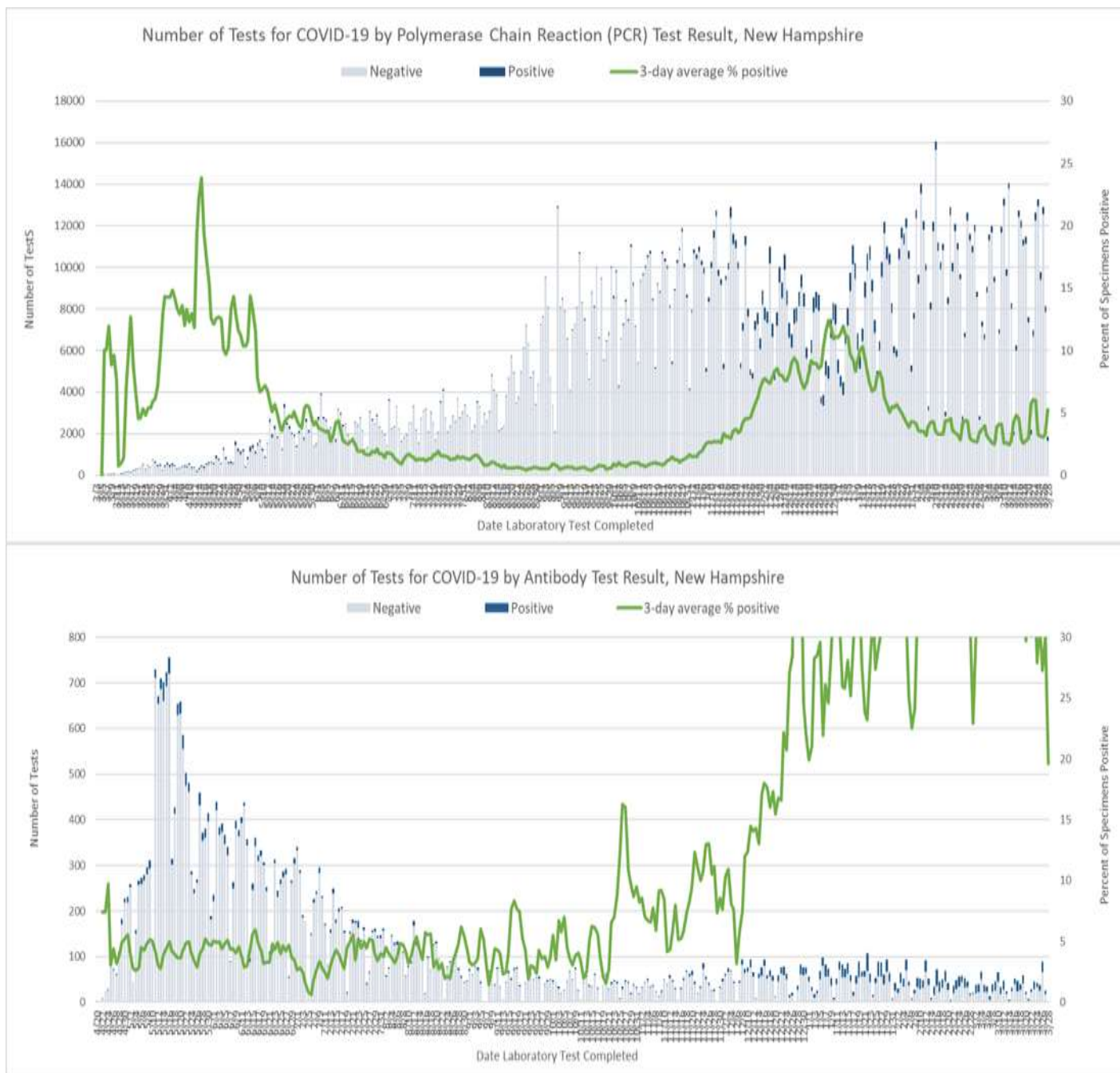
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	3/22	3/23	3/24	3/25	3/26	3/27	3/28	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	24	411	426	497	538	263	0	308
LabCorp	426	516	578	451	454	397	289	444
Quest Diagnostics	360	396	554	608	473	544	433	481
Mako Medical	8	556	451	35	23	15	13	157
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	134	487	388	448	245	490	295	355
NorDX Laboratory	68	479	326	297	223	75	38	215
Broad Institute	1,009	5,270	5,167	2,399	6,245	3,230	279	3,371
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	361	557	719	450	515	358	257	460
Other Laboratory*	405	472	791	676	500	291	177	473
University of New Hampshire**	4,179	3,473	3,886	3,910	3,691	2,464	61	3,095
Total	6,974	12,617	13,286	9,771	12,907	8,127	1,842	9,361
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	3/22	3/23	3/24	3/25	3/26	3/27	3/28	Daily Average
LabCorp	2	18	9	15	11	3	1	8
Quest Diagnostics	6	12	15	5	24	12	0	11
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	5	3	4	4	10	0	0	4
NorDX Laboratory	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	1
Other Laboratory*	8	1	7	9	34	7	0	9
Total	22	34	36	35	80	22	1	33

* Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

** Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.



[NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive](#)

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at <https://www.nh.gov/covid19>.

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